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lying settlement, the extra work involved is more than worth while, because the interest of a great many people who might otherwise never hear of the work being done in infant welfare, is so easily aroused. Plenty of volunteers and the coöperation of one's medical and nursing staff, and the willingness to put in a good deal of over-time work make such an exhibit not only possible but very much worth while.

The annual report of the Infant Welfare Society for the year 1917 has in it the following significant paragraph from the superintendent's address:

Because nurses are prone to believe that everyone but a nurse may be a patient, it was found necessary to require a thorough physical examination at least once a year, of all nurses on our staff. We ask that nurses be weighed every month and in this way we have a health indication which we feel has worked for a better health condition, inasmuch as we have had no serious ill-health situation this year.

The physical examination of institutional and public health nurses is a problem which faces every superintendent and every agency sooner or later. The Infant Welfare Society seems to have cut the Gordian knot by its present method. It has been our experience, however, that most nurses object strongly to physical examinations, whether they need them or not. It would be interesting to conduct through this department a symposium on the question of physical examinations for public health nurses, their feasibility, their frequency, the reasons pro and con. Won't every nurse interested in the subject write her opinion and send it to the editor of this department, who promises to give it careful consideration and publish it, if possible.

Community nurses who are asked to organize infant welfare nursing are advised to write for the annual reports of the Infant Welfare Society. There are few, if any, reports of more practical and educational assistance published in the country. Directors, superintendents and staff nurses as well as nurses working alone will find the reports of the president, the women's auxiliary, the superintendent, the medical director and the educational secretary of special significance and help.

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#### GERMANY'S WAR ON THE WOUNDED

German airplanes recently bombed a large American hospital. Hovering at low altitudes, every effort was made to hit the main building, which was conspicuously marked with the Red Cross emblem. Doctors and nurses removed our wounded boys to trenches previously dug for such emergencies. National War Savings Day gives an opportunity to register in a practical way your vow that such things must end.